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And This Is the Way the Money Goes.
 The collapse of Gilbert L. Crowell and his Empire Mining Company reveals a wretched piece of business. Crowell had amassed a competency by industry and careful management. He had been reared in a good school and was known for his correct business methods. He lived with out ostentation, had no bad habits, was in every way the reverse of the typical adventurer and swindler.

There is little doubt that when he entered the mining company Crowell deserved the good name he bore; that is to say, he had been guilty of no irregularities. He invested in good faith, and the stock was never put on the market as the practice of fishers of men who angle for gudgeons in the stock market pool.

There was silver ore in the mine, and though it had not been found in paying quantities it was believed that enough money put in would make it pay. His own money being gone, Crowell turned to \$500,000 of trust funds, the money of women, and soon that splendid sum was sunk too. Embarrassment is the mild term for his offense; but the only difference between an embezzler and a common thief is that the one has the property placed in his hands and the other comes into possession of it by stealth or violence. If the mine had paid, probably Crowell would not have been an embezzler. It is charitable to suppose that he was dazzled by the prospect, infatuated as other men have been with a dream of great wealth easily got.

It is worthy of remark that from time out of mind men have been swayed by the magic spell of the precious metals. Judgment abdicates when a prize of gold or silver is in view. No risk of person or property is too great, no peril too awful. The ties of family do not bind nor the love of ease restrain the adventurer whose brain has been turned by this subtlest of poisons. In early times great expeditions of fighting men were organized to sack cities and hamlets for their gold and silver. The Spanish adventurers dared everything to possess themselves of the precious riches of the new continent, and their galleons went home loaded.

We have done a good deal of fighting ourselves for possession of the bullion country, and to this day powder plays its part. But a less rugged and worse principled set of adventurers has sprung upon men who work the stocks and butler little about the mines. Their progress through the land is easier than the conquest of Peru. A nice prospectus, pretty certificates, an oily tongue, a good "outfit" of clothes—this is all that is required in the business. A mine or claim is no obstacle, but it is far from indispensable. The process of "washing out" stocks in the market—realizing handsomely on nothing or very little is comparatively easy; at least it would seem so from the extent and success of the business. Men reputed cool and careful rush in without seeing or expecting even to see the property they buy. They buy nothing else so, but gold and silver stand apart. After they have bought, they will keep on paying to make what they have of some value. Suggest to them that there is money in sheep, cattle, real estate, manufacturing—any useful and solid venture at home—and they "will think about it," while they go on putting money where it will be held so tight that it never can get out again.

The mining of gold and silver is a settled, legitimate industry. A great deal of money has been made and will be made in it. But honestly conducted it has its risks; dishonestly managed there is no chance for the innocent. Since the industry began, nearly eighty years ago, the production of gold has been over a billion and a half, and of silver about half a billion dollars. In 1880 the gold output was \$33,379,000, the silver \$11,110,000. Mining, where there is paying ore to move, is carried on with more certainty and less waste than in the early days. But millions have been lost in the search, and it is a safe hazard that to this day the annual output of the mines is not greatly in advance of the money spent on mines and mining schemes.

The value of our crop for a year—third in the list of cereals—is more than double the annual value of the gold and silver output. Out raising is a much more certain business; but nobody goes wild over out culture. We produce as much barley in value as gold, ten times as much corn as gold and silver combined, but for folly gold and silver are the potent charms.

PERSONAL.
 Charles Courtney, the Union Springs oarsman, has begun a lawsuit against the makers of the boat he used when he was beaten by George Lee at the Saratoga regatta. It was, he claims, insufficiently buoyed.

Rev. Ray Palmer, D. D., widely known as an author of many popular hymns, was stricken with paralysis a day or two ago, at Newark, N. J., and is very dangerously ill. His golden wedding was celebrated about a year ago.

Professor John Stuart Blackie recently lectured on "Luxury" in Glasgow, and after describing a dinner he had heard of, in which there were thirty courses, he said that he considered such a "spread" a magnificent call to self-denial, because each diner had to say "No" to every second dish.

Miss Edmonia Lewis, a Baltimore sculptor of African descent, has completed at her studio in Rome a fine bas-relief in white marble for a church in Baltimore. It represents the Magi adoring the infant Jesus, and of the three the African gives greater prominence than either the Caucasian or the Asiatic. Miss Lewis has also recently finished a statue of the Virgin Mary for the Marquis of Bute.

Mr. John Ritchie, Jr., who has been put in charge at the Harvard Observatory of the new international system of receiving and distributing astronomical intelligence, has issued a circular describing the plans which he has adopted. Astronomical news will be received direct by cable from the European Union Station at Kiel, and by prompt telegrams from American discoverers, and will be communicated by the Associated Press and by special circulars, and

also by special dispatches, to all observatories, institutions, newspapers and individuals requesting them. These dispatches will be prepaid, but annual bills covering their cost will be sent to all receivers.

Ton Kin Sin, a high official of the Celestial Empire, is now on his way to make a tour of Europe for the purpose of studying commercial and manufacturing systems with a view to their introduction in China. He will also visit this country on the same mission, and will spend much time here, examining especially American manufactures and engineering. He will probably reach this country in July next.

BREAKFAST BUDGET.

An infant industry—Doll making. A good picture needs no gaudy frame. No matter how large the amount gas bills are always light ones.

Shoulder bows of ribbon are very fashionable set against the standing collar on the left side.

Utica has an "Innocent Men's Club." It is composed entirely of journalists and ex-office holders.

A watch made entirely of iron and in perfect running order was exhibited in a Worcestershire fair recently.

Bernuda is a wonderful place. It is said that a man can make his fortune there simply by sitting down and watching things grow.

The following advertisement appeared in a Western paper: Lost: One vital calf; his two hind legs most black. He was a calf. Who brings him back pays five dollars. Fritz.

Engineers in Berlin are experimenting in war-balloons and photography. It has been found perfectly practicable to mount to a height out of range, and on the way up to use an electric apparatus by which a view of the underlying country can be taken in less than a second.

Sir Godfrey Kneller, the painter, was, like some living artists, very conceited. He lived next door to Dr. Radcliffe, and there was a door between their two gardens; and, as the painter's servants stole the doctor's flowers, he sent word that he would close the gate. "Do anything with it but paint it," said the doctor. "I would take anything from you," replied Sir Godfrey, "but your physic."

State and Near By News.
 The Democrat, Braxton county's new paper, continues to be bright and new. Editor Byrne evidently understands his business.

The Greenbrier Independent in a forcible editorial device a charge made by the Fayette Enterprise that Greenbrier wanted all the Third District offices.

The proprietors of the West County Mirror, believing that the name of that paper "had outlived its day and generation," gently laid it aside, and in its place we have the West Virginia Transcript, an attractive eight column paper, which ought to live long and prosper.

Mr. J. E. Hart, of the West Virginia Messenger, having made his paper claiming his attention, has sold his paper and said good bye to his readers. Mr. Hart has long a good light and made the Messenger an influence. Mr. E. E. Eisanforth, who succeeds him, will accept a kindly greeting.

The Huntington Commercial, in entering upon its tenth year, reviews with satisfaction the changes which have taken place in its field. This pioneer Republican paper in its section, it has seen the 1,200 to 1,400 Democratic majority of Cabell county come down to less than 200 last year, and the end is not yet. The Commercial is doing a good work. Now for the remaining 300!

The Scarlet, Cardinal Red, Old Gold, Navy Blue, Seal Brown, Diamond Dyes are perfect. Any fashionable color, 10 cents.

THE BALLOT IN NEW ORLEANS.
 How They Work it and What is Likely to Come of it.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 28. It has now been over three months since our community was shocked by the revelations of ballot box stuffing and wholesale defrauding of the political rights of the citizens of this city practiced in the municipal election. The evidences of these frauds were conclusive. The trained servants of the law, long accustomed to such outrages upon the popular rights, threw aside all reserve and openly and shamelessly presented the will of the people. No such daring and unscrupulous falsification of the ballot has ever perpetrated even in the dark days of the old Returning Board. Over 5,000 ballots were stuffed into the boxes, and the vote which was honestly cast was not correctly counted. The poll-books furnish incontestable proof of the fraud, and there is abundant evidence to the latter. The law was invoked. The courts were called upon to avenge the blow at the very foundation of civil government, to protect the only safeguard of organized society. What has been the result? The State Tribunal has done nothing to bring the offenders to justice since the indictments were framed. The whole proceedings in the United States courts have been annulled for informality. Not only are those candidates who produced the frauds yet in their seats, but the tools who did the corrupt work at the polls are no longer in dread of even the chance of a trial. Verily, fraud prospers. We think we can see pretty clearly what it is likely to come to before the right of self-government is fully established in this city. We are drifting rapidly toward more blood-letting on a large scale. Beneath the apparently calm exterior of the people there is deep wrath and indignation. The conviction, unswerving though it be, has been forced upon the minds of all good citizens that the State Government under which we live is as loath to protect the ballot-box as in Radical days, and that extraordinary measures will have to be resorted to before we shall have the rights of freemen.

Gaz's Sulphur Soap is the most reliable purifier of the skin in the market. Pike's Toothache Drops cure in one minute. All other toothache drops are inferior.

As a true and efficient tonic, one who excels all other iron medicines, take Brown's Iron Bitters.

THE GREAT GERMAN REMEDY FOR PAIN.
 RHEUMATISM, Neuralgia, Sciatica, Lumbago, HEADACHE, TOOTHACHE, SORE THROAT, QUINSY, SWELLINGS, SPRAINS, Soreness, Cuts, Bruises, FROSTBITE, BURNED SCALDS, and all other bodily aches and pains.

FIFTY CENTS A BOTTLE. Sold by all Druggists and Dealers in Medicine. The Charles A. Vogel Co., Baltimore, Md., U.S.A.

A COMPLETE STOCK OF
 FRENCH AND AMERICAN WINDOW GLASS. Colored, Etched and Ground Glass, Polished Plate Glass, Floor and Door Glass, 50 cents, and all other kinds of glass. Full line of Paints, Varnishes, Putty, Window, Roof and Marking Brushes of every description.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—NURSE GIRL AT 1305
 East street.

WANTED—GIRL TO DO GENERAL
 Housework, 123 S. York St., Island. m2

FOURTEEN THOUSAND TONS

Pure Lake Ice,

For sale in car load lots for present shipment or
 lowest freight rates to all points.

GAGER & CO.
 Sandusky, Ohio.

REGULAR PITTSBURGH
 WHEELING AND KANAWHA
 RIVER PACKET. The Erie
 Passenger Steamer, Capt. J. M. CHANCELLOR,
 K. F. Chancellor, Capt. J. M. CHANCELLOR,
 Leaves Pittsburgh Thursday at 7 A. M.
 Leaves Wheeling Friday at 5 A. M.
 Leaves Harrison Monday at 7 A. M.
 Leaves Wheeling on Wednesday at 7 A. M.
 Close connection at Gallipolis with Cincinnati
 packets. Freight and passengers received through
 our freight or message apply to
 C. H. BOOTH & SON.

NOTICE.

Redemption of City Bonds.

Moderated the 75c percent bonds of the City of
 Wheeling issued under the Ordinance of 1871, and
 hereby notified that in accordance with provisions
 of said ordinance the following bonds, viz: 115,
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